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Dr. James Rhoads
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Washington, D.C.

Dear Dr. Rhoads,

In the past I have complained that the large number of my proper requests that have been either ignored or not properly responded to make impossible the keeping of any kind of meaningful check list of these requests. I have said this to you in writing and in person, during the recess in the trial last winter in Judge Bullock's court. At that time you rather surprised me by telling me you had just caused a check to be made and it showed all my requests had been answered. At that time I told you this was not true to me. Now, [illegible] end of a year that has elapsed, some of these requests are still without answer or response.

Here I renew one of these long-standing requests, for the receipts and some of the other documents enumerated in the November 26, 1964 receipt the Secret Service gave Admiral Burkley for some of the autopsy evidence. This is from CD 371. I enclose a copy for your convenience. And in order to insure there can be no misunderstanding, I am marking each document I want. In each case I desire a copy made from the original. If in any case you do not have the original, I would appreciate a statement of this fact plus the identification of the file from which the copy is made. If there was any attachment to any of these, I would also like a copy of each such attachment.

In the past I have requested copies of the receipts executed and signed the night of the assassination at the Navy hospital. I have not been given any, have been told there are no copies in the archives. Since then I have been informed by both the Secret Service and the Navy Department that they have conveyed their files. These receipts also must exist and I believe I am also entitled to copies of each.

With regard to the item marked twice, "One receipt from FBI for a missile recovered during examination of the body" I would like to know the exhibit number or other identification of this missile and would, at your convenience, like to examine it.

If any of the other records of the autopsy I have requested and not been given are available, I renew my request for them. I have been assured repeatedly that I have been given all autopsy material when this is not and has not been the case. And I do expect you will now see to it that my other unanswered requests are filled. On my last visit to the Archives, I renewed one of them, in person.

Sincerely,